

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1. (original) A footwear characterized by comprising:

a first sloped surface defined inside of said footwear, said first sloped surface being inclined such that one side thereof on which a base of toe of human foot is to be positioned is higher than another side thereof near to a heel side of said footwear;

a second sloped surface defined in a sole of said footwear, said second sloped surface extending from an area of said sole at which said base of toe of human foot is to be positioned, in a direction toward a toe side of said footwear; and

a third sloped surface defined inside of said footwear, said third sloped surface being inclined such that one side thereof on which a big toe of human foot is to be positioned is lower than another side thereof on which a small toe of human foot is to be positioned.

2. (original) The footwear as described in claim 1, characterized in that at least one functional equipment is provided to said sole of said footwear.

3. (original) A footwear characterized by comprising:

a first sloped surface defined inside of said footwear, said first sloped surface being inclined such that one side thereof on which a base of toe of human foot is to be positioned, is higher than another area of said insole near to a heel side of said footwear;

a second sloped surface defined in a sole of said footwear, said second sloped surface extending from said one area of said insole at which said base of toe of human foot is to be positioned, in a direction toward a toe side of the footwear; and

at least one functional equipment provided to said sole of said footwear.

4. (currently amended) The footwear as described in ~~any one of claims 2 and 3~~ claim 2, characterized in that said functional equipment is one selected from the group consisting of: rotatable circular plates; spikes; rotatable balls; springs; rotatable rollers; edges; and slidable plates.

5. (original) A footwear characterized in that:

at least one functional equipment is provided to a sole of said footwear,

and

said functional equipment is one selected from the group consisting of: rotatable circular plates; rotatable balls;

springs; edges; and slidable plates.

6. (currently amended) The footwear as described in ~~any one of claims 2 to 5~~ claim 2, characterized in that said functional member is releasably connected with said sole of said footwear.

7. (currently amended) The footwear as described in ~~any one of claims 2 to 6~~ claim 2, characterized in that different functional equipments are provided to each of right and left footwears.

8. (currently amended) The footwear as described in ~~any one of claims 2 to 7~~ claim 2, characterized in that a plurality of said functional equipments are provided to said sole of said footwear, and that said plurality of said functional equipments include functional equipments which differ from one another.

9. (currently amended) The footwear as described in ~~any one of claims 2 to 8~~ claim 2, characterized in that said functional equipment is releasably engaged with said footwear, such that a magnet is used for allowing engagement and disengagement of the functional equipment with and from the footwear.

10. (new) The footwear as described in claim 3, characterized in that said functional equipment is one selected from the group consisting of: rotatable circular plates; spikes; rotatable

balls; springs; rotatable rollers; edges; and slidable plates.

11. (new) The footwear as described in claim 3, characterized in that said functional member is releasably connected with said sole of said footwear.

12. (new) The footwear as described in claim 4, characterized in that said functional member is releasably connected with said sole of said footwear.

13. (new) The footwear as described in claim 5, characterized in that said functional member is releasably connected with said sole of said footwear.

14. (new) The footwear as described in claim 3, characterized in that different functional equipments are provided to each of right and left footwears.

15. (new) The footwear as described in claim 4, characterized in that different functional equipments are provided to each of right and left footwears.

16. (new) The footwear as described in claim 5, characterized in that different functional equipments are provided to each of right and left footwears.

17. (new) The footwear as described in claim 3, characterized in that a plurality of said functional equipments are provided to said sole of said footwear, and that said plurality of said functional equipments include functional equipments which differ from one another.

18. (new) The footwear as described in claim 5, characterized in that a plurality of said functional equipments are provided to said sole of said footwear, and that said plurality of said functional equipments include functional equipments which differ from one another.

19. (new) The footwear as described in claim 3, characterized in that said functional equipment is releasably engaged with said footwear, such that a magnet is used for allowing engagement and disengagement of the functional equipment with and from the footwear.

20. (new) The footwear as described in claim 5, characterized in that said functional equipment is releasably engaged with said footwear, such that a magnet is used for allowing engagement and disengagement of the functional equipment with and from the footwear.